

**PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q96480

Yukihiko MASHIMA

Appln. No.: 10/593,103

Group Art Unit: 1634

Confirmation No.: 9096

Examiner: Amanda Marie Shaw

Filed: September 15, 2006

For: METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING OR PREDICTING SUSCEPTIBILITY TO OPTIC
NEUROPATHY

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 9, 2009, from December 9, 2009, to February 10, 2010 (the PTO was closed on February 9, 2010).

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$490.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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